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(b) whether the local union sent up a report of the same to the authorities concerned;

(c) whether a mahazar was submitted by the sufferers as well as the people of the village to Government praying for relief measures for the people rendered destitute and homeless by the fire;

(d) whether this mahazar was submitted to Government on 9th June through the local Revenue authorities;

(e) whether these poor people are now living under temporary 'tattis' and shelters which do not afford any protection from wind and rain; and

(f) whether Government are issuing any orders as to free issue of palmyra stems, bamboos and thatching materials to these people?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) No report from the Union authorities was received by the Collector.

(c) & (d) The Government have not received any mahazar from the sufferers or from the people of the village.

(e) The Government have no information as to this.

(f) The Collector has sanctioned a free supply of two palmyra trees, two bundles of bamboos and two cart-loads of thatching grass to each of 42 individuals.

*Damages due to floods of July and August of 1924.*

\* 449 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received further details of damages in the affected districts by the floods of July and August of last year;

(b) whether the Government will place those reports on the table of the House; and

(c) the amount and nature of relief granted so far by the Government?

A.—(a), (b) & (c) The latest information available is appended.<sup>a</sup> The Government have also supplied tram lines and trucks for the use of the Co-operative Societies at Maruvur, Edayathumangalam and Murungapettai.

In Trichinopoly district, the Government have given the choice to the holders of wet lands covered with sand to a depth of over one foot between having the land reclassified as dry for the period of the resettlement to be introduced in fasli 1335 and retaining it as wet with remission until the sand is removed.

The Government have also directed that a new village-site measuring about 11 acres should be acquired and paid for at the cost of Government and sites therein assigned free to 140 families of Murungapettai and have sanctioned a compassionate grant of not exceeding Rs. 100 per house to the poorer families and loans not exceeding Rs. 500 in each case for building new houses to the more well-to-do ryots at the concession rate of 4 per cent for the first five years.

<sup>a</sup> Printed as Appendix III on page 844 infra.